

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Linda W. Cropp
Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM: Natwar M. Gandhi
Chief Financial Officer

DATE: October 8, 2002

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement: "Mortgage Foreclosure Procedures Reform Act of 2002"

REFERENCE: Bill Number 14-844

Conclusion

Although passage of this Act would result in a significant increase to the workload of the District of Columbia Superior Court, funds are sufficient in the proposed FY 2003 through FY 2006 budget and financial plan to implement the Mortgage Foreclosure Procedures Reform Act of 2002. The Federal Government, not the District of Columbia, funds the Superior Court. As a result, this Act would have no impact to DC's General Fund.

Background

The Mortgage Foreclosure Procedures Reform Act of 2002 would create new mortgage foreclosure procedures in the District of Columbia, replacing current procedures that were written in 1904. The new process will feature increased involvement from the DC Superior Court on the ratification of foreclosures, and is based on Maryland's foreclosure procedures.

Financial Plan Impact

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2003 through FY 2006 budget and financial plan to implement the proposed approval resolution; there is no fiscal impact to the General Fund. The Federal Government would be required to fund the additional mortgage foreclosure hearings that the Superior Court would adjudicate as a result of passage of this act.